

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT:	PARMA <i>ET AL.</i>	)	EXAMINER:	MUMMERT, S. K.
SERIAL NO.:	10/705,300	)	ART UNIT:	1637
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TITLE:	HIGH AFFINITY NUCLEIC ACID LIGANDS TO LECTINS	)	CUST. NO.:	25871

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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

An Office Action was mailed in the above-captioned application on April 18, 2006. In such Office Action pending claims 65-72 were subject to a restriction and/or election requirement. This document is submitted in response to said Office Action.

**Claims** as pending are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.